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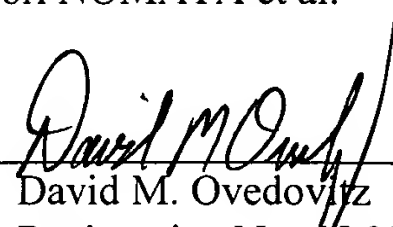
The Applicants hereby request that the Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) filed with the Patent Office on October 28, 2005 be considered by the Examiner. The Applicants also request that the Examiner return a completely initialed copy of the form PTO-1449 which was filed as part of the IDS of October 28, 2005. Enclosed is a copy of the Information Disclosure Statement, form PTO-1449, the reference and a date-stamped postcard receipt as evidence that the IDS was filed on October 28, 2005.

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